

Richard Richardson House  
Richardson Park, Delaware

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Historic American Buildings Survey  
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909 West Street, Wilmington, Delaware

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DELRICHARD RICHARDSON HOUSE  
Richardson Park, New Castle County, Delaware

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Owner: A. J. BesteDate of Erection: 1765Builder: Richard RichardsonPresent Condition: Good, but with addition of porches and dormers, which detract from the original character of the house.Number of Stories: Two and one half with basementMaterials of Construction: Stone walls; wood construction in interior; plaster walls. Some fine paneling and woodwork rather primitive in character and suggestive of an earlier date.Other Existing Records: Scharf's History of Delaware, Vol. 2, P. 881; Conrad's History of Delaware, Vol. 2, P. 461; Offices of Recorder of Deeds and Register of Wills of New Castle County.Additional Data: This is one of the better class mansion houses of the period, and it is to be regretted that the additions have not been in character with the original building. The mantel shelf in the east end parlor is not original, and there has been a similar addition made in the south west parlor.  
District Officer

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